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INDIVIDUALS, NOT CORPORATIONS

The Federal statute of January 26, rations to campaign funds a crimina committee has publicly promised that it will not accept contributions from

Both of our evening local contemporaries, whom we observe to be competing for the privilege of "opening" contributions to the Democratic campaign fund in this State, are corporations. Upon what theory of reasoning have they reached the conclusion that, to oblige them, the Democratic National Committee would break both its own solemn pledges and the laws of the United States?

a recently published article on "My Conception of the Presidency," Mr. Bryan said:

"The Vice-President ought to be made a member of the Cabinet ex-offiorder, first, that the President that the Vice-President may be better prepared to take up the work of the President in case of a vacancy in the

In dispatches from Lincoln, published sterday, Mr. Bryan pledged himself, nt of his election, to make ffective the belief thus expressed. should "impose upon the Vice-Presi-

admirable in Mr. Bryan's suggesossession of qualities which should eminently wise that he should receive that practical training in administra

figure-head and superfluous fifth staid deliberations, as the House does fallen among the ambitious into something like derision. Mr. Bryan's plan Cabinet, and, in case of the death or country from an untrained and inex- citizens of Richmond. perienced successor. It would also vitalize an office now held far too lightly and lift it toward the importance and dignity which intrinsically inhere in it.

The Independence Leaguers of our capital city have indorsed Col. John Temple Graves ror Vice-Prosident, Our private records appear to show that this is the 19th bandwagon that Col. Graves has occupied since July 15 last.

THE WEST, THE SOUTH AND THE CONVENTION.

ocratic party. At every stage of the proceedings this fact stood out with unmistakable clearness.

From the sentiment of the West the convention took its tone and color; on the ideas of the West it founded its declarations; in the men of the West it saw its leaders and was content to accept their mastery.

Whether or not this fact makes for the welfare of the party and nation is a question fruitful of discussion. But that it is an established fact there can be no doubt.

It is on the South that the West must depend for these ideas to become

embodied in law and governmental names occasionally heard in Spain which are not included in the astounding to give this help, but has it not influence attached to the new royal infant. also wants and aspirations of its own to proclaim and get adopted?

come into its own until it develops leadership of virility, courage and capacity. Parties are not led or issue vitalized by futile mouthings and bombastic emptiness. The West dominated at Denver because, despite its obvious failings, it had a definite policy. The South was compelled to satisty itself with meaningless orations before pledged delegates and infranchised galleries, because its leaders houses the galleries go out for booze. were content to follow. Some day a generation will arise that will demand conclusion" shows signs of suffering for the South a share in the leadership from overwork.

of party and nation, and find those to make this demand effective

86,500 FOR TEMPORARY REPAIRS. James River Bridge Commissioners repairs on the Free Bridge which an rather tardly, that the commissioners 1.00 .35 have had no such intention. The \$3,000 with any mystery it is not easy to intentions after the meeting of Monday night, or, better yet, had suffered that

If the Manchester Council should follow the example of Richmond and regard this as disposing of the matter. are useful only to safeguard the bridge stalled with the least possible loss of sioners in any delays, except some wis TO VITALIZE THE VICE-PRESIbridge, but to put up a new and bigger

AN AUDITORIUM WILL PAY.

Denver thought so well of the value of an auditorium to the community that the city gladly put up \$500,000 to build a magnificent concrete occupy this building was the Democratic convention, and there can be no ture that convention was a profitable

operas, plays and even circuses car be given under its roof. Thus a great natural gathering place for Denver has spreading the benefits of music and drama. Even if Denver could attract auditorium would be of great value to her citizens.

length awakened to the need of put ting our half-finished Auditorium into usable shape. The most important sten a false ceiling. If, as seems probable, this remedies the defectic When the Auditorium is once made and adding to its reputation abroad good work should be pushed with all

TIMES-DISPATCH REGREES

The Times-Dispatch regrets that an article which appeared in the the People" on yesterday, under the signed "Reader," was printed in

The article in question w tended in any way to reflect upon the friends, and that such an informer

would not only add weight to the tation for honesty and sobriety, and disability of the President, protect the the best known and most esteemed

The Denver convention demonstrated and \$15,000 offerings as are refused by that the West is in control of the Democratic party. At every stage of the

o proclaim and get adopted?

This section of the country will never a mind it much. There is George R. Sheldon, for instance.

Borrowed Jingles

WHEN HE PAID. Timethy Dodd, he was mighty penurious,
Always did hate like the mischief to give,
Epending, he thought, was extremely inJurious;
Awful, he said, what it cost him to live.
Tune to a cent with the greatest tenacity.

Tung to a cent with the greatest lenseity.

Dollars he'tl squeeze till they spread at
Made them all yield to their fullest capacity,
Awfully funny it seems about Tim!

wouldn't waste thing the cheese, old Tim and solicit his charity old time that you wanted to freeze his days he was hagging and dicker has days he was hagging and dicker has a war sin Awfully funny it seems about Tim!

Visitors Timothy wolcomed but chillingly;
Still, there came one—undentable Death,
I can imagine how very unwillingly
Timothy finally gave up his breath.
Nover paid debis—we had all heard him
bosst of it,
Yet he paid his to that creditor grim,
Quite a good Joke, and we all make the
most of it.

Awfully funny it seems about Tim! -Chicago News.

MERELY JOKING.

"I think," said the struggling write, 'that the publishers might, well take a hin from the politicians."
"In what respect?"
"Publicity for all contributions. How that would help!"—Washington Herald.

"To what do you attribute your in life?"

daughter."
"Oh, yes, you can, duke. I'll be pleased to get you a job as motorman on one of my lines."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"My little Willie may never be President but he'll be a candidate some day." "What makes you think that?" "He runs over people with his ge-cart so beautifully."—Flouston Chronisle

averred the star.
"I can fix that," responded the impresario
"I'll station one of the other prima donna
in the wings."—Kansas City Journal.

ne Roemy Aute.

Radiantly lovely, she had come to see the poor young poet in his attle room. "The view is divine," she said, "but aren't you cramped for space?"

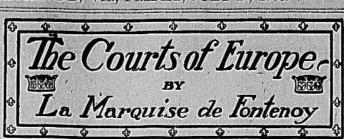
"Oh, no," said he. "I get on nicely now. But, to toll you the truth, I was deucedly crowded till they took off the wall paper."—

OU can buy a hand-painted plano for \$25,000, but few do." says the Richmond Times-Dispatch. Quite right. Every one in our immediate vicinity seems to be of the hand-pounded variety.—Washington Post.

North Carolina line is partly responsible for so many beautiful "little star-eyed blonde of Royal Richmond," of which The Times. Dispatch speaks so fondly and fervently. Selma News. Richmond is about 100 mile distant from the Carolina border. Norfoll les within about one-fifth of that distance from the Tarheel line. We have often won-

PERSONAL AND GENERAL,

In the General Synod of the Luthe



chancellor of the University has completed which he is able to show of quent proof of the wisdom of his promotion to the past twelve months furnishes eloquent proof of the wisdom of his clection; for he has managed to infuse new life and vigor into this so antient seat of learning. To begin with is appeal for funds towards the residowment of the university has resided in a subscription of over \$1.

This contributions the contributions the time.

year of chancellorship; and, as he

extent of the possessions may be gathered from the fact that they yield an estimated revenue of some \$150,000 to \$200,000 a year, and were granted by Charles II. after the Restoration to Goldwin Swifte, attorney-general of the Palatinate of Tipperary, and uncle and guardian of the famous Jonathan Swift, dean of St. Patrick, and author of "Turity College is still preserved the original manuscript of the witty dean's account of "The Family of Swift," in which he has much to tell of the romantic loyalty of its members to the cause of the Stuarts, one of whom, the Rev. Thomas Swift, who accompanied James II. into exile, married a granddaughter of John Dryden, the poet. The Godwin Swifte of the era of Charles II., was a grand-nephew of Burnham Swifte, who was member of Parliament and Secretary of State in the reign of King Charles I, who bestowed upon him the Irish Barony of Carlingford, Dying unmarried, it became extinct at his death, in spite of which several of his de-

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ote.-Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Government Land Deal.

This Huntley project contains 633 farm units. The total cost per acre, \$34, was assessed equally against the irrigable acreage. What though some tracts were worth \$100 per acre and others worth \$10? A mere trifle to the crustaceans of the Land Office; this land had cost \$34 per acre, and \$24 each and every acre of it must.

wouldness that Wille will play with Bryan no more.

We may sustain the departure of Willie, but the Democratic party will refuse to be comforted when she knows that fraves has gone. Bryan has lost his lute and Hearst has carried with him a singer who will full him to slumber even amid the investigation of the language.

Winchester Star.

"Ex-Governor J. Hoge Tyler's loyalty and enthusiastic support of Mr. Bryan has been most appropriately recognized by selecting him to represent Virginia on the notification committee," and he is one man who got all that he went to Denver to get,—Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch.

His New Job.

JUGGLING THE BOOKS.

Voice of the People

Replying to Senator Thomas. Editor of The Times-Dispatch: Sir.—I am glad to welcome Senator the second-day primary. I only wish

turnished by which the party officers are elected. This is cured by a con-

mary would be confined to the two extremists (because that being the "paramount" issue, the people would line up on one or the other side of it) and that the final nominee would be chosen against the wishes of two-thirds, or three-fourths of the party—according to the number of candidates—as heretofore shown.

Fifth, In the second-day primary

which allows any one to become a self-appointed candidate, the party, whose support is so safely relied upon for election, has absolutely no voice in the choice of candidates—the party cannot name its leaders, it can only choose between solf-appointed leaders.

Elghth. The nominee of a party is presented to the world as a leader of the party who stands for the party less and policies of that party. It would seem that the party should have some voice in the selection of its leaders and in declaring its principles and framing its policies. The modified convention, as proposed, insures to the party some check upon both the candidate and the platform.

Ninth. The primary tends to break up the party into factions: the convention to heal its wounds and to solidity it. The combination plan proposed takes from the primary none of its good features, but adds the best features of the convention with none of its faults.

Tenth. If the people can be trusted to vote for their State officers to whom they delegate all of the powers of a great government, it would seem that they can be trusted to vote for their State officers to whom they delegate to a party convention to whom they delegate only limited powers for the performance of party functions alone. To deny this is to deny the power of self-government.

I leave to Senators Thomas, Machen, Sirade and others who have, at one time or another, introduced pet primary bills in the Legislature, to point out the weaknesses in the above positions and to show us what good to the norty and to the State can be secured.

mary bills in the Legislature, to point the weaknesses in the above positions and to show us what good to the purty and to the State can be secured by a second-day primary in which only the two leading candidates are allowed to enter the property WITHERS.

owed to enter.

ROBERT W. WITHERS.
Suffolk, Va., July 14, 1908.

Just an Experiment.

A restauratour asked me the other day what he could do to increase the patronage of his house, where several thousand cannibals feed daily. There are nitty-six small tables for two braced arainst the walls of the place. Scattered here and there are tables for four, six and eight; some round, some square, some rectangular. "Pull every small table away from the wall." I said. "so that a chair will so behind it. One of the little sanctities of man is to have his back against something so that nobody can walk behind him. Out the tables down to solitaires and you can place 100 where only fifty-six are now. Every customer that comes in alone will have a table to himself, with the privilege of facing the throng, the watter, the manager and the proprietor." Strangely enough the advice was taken. Result: An increase of 200 per cent, in business and always a grand rusi for the solitaires.—"Tip" in New York Press.

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ENGLISH WOMAN'S SUFFRAGISTS.

Shoulder to Shoulder.

There has been no time since 1892 when the Democratic press and people of the country were so united in sentiment and purpose as in the campaign of 1998 to elect Bryan and Kern. Even the New York World praises the Democratic platform and commends Mr. Bryan. At last, we are all pulling together, and the Democratic ticket will pile up the biggest vote for Bryan next fall ever given a candidate in this country for the presidency. Just watch the vote grow.—Petersburg Index-Appeal.

Deserved All He Got.

Cortelyou's Panacea for the Treasury Deficit. Secretary Cortelyou appears to argue in effect that a man may spend his money and still have it, if his book-keeping is up to date. He attempts to explain the large revenue deficit shown at the end of the last fiscal year by declaring that the "antiquated system of bookkeeping" is responsible and that, had modern methods been installed earlier the amorance and